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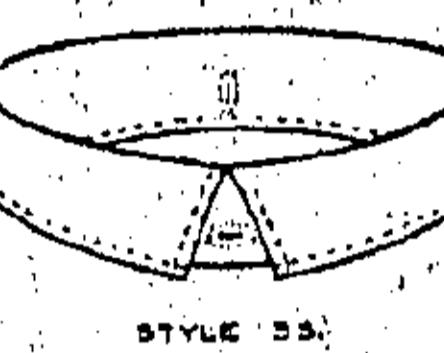
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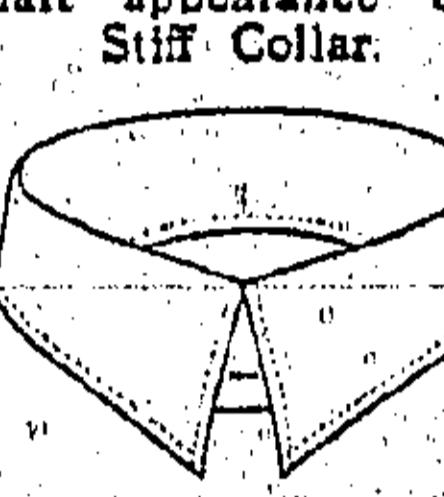
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DARK RUMOURS.

"MAILED FIST" RESENTED IN
CANTON.

MILITARY DICTATOR.

Cantonese Throw Over For
Aliens.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Canton, June 12.

Dark rumours in the Kuomintang camp indicate that there is opposition to General Chang Kai-shek, the basis being a charge that even though he may not give the Communists full power here, he is nevertheless driving all the old-time Canton and Kwangtung party workers out of office, and putting into their places people from his own province of Chekiang.

This ousting of Kwangtung people and the putting of Northerners in their places has met with an unpleasant reception. A campaign against General Chang along these lines may receive widespread public support.

Pertinent Question.

Party workers are asking: What was the use of the bitter and victorious struggle of the week of May 15 against the Communists, if "aliens" from another province are to profit by the victory of the Kwangtung leaders?

Kwangtung leaders, who have been driven out include General Hsu Shung-chi; Mr. Wang Ching-wai who is now in France; Mr. Wu Han-min, late Minister of Foreign Affairs, now in Shanghai; Dr. C. C. Wu now in Shanghai; Mr. Foo Ping-sheng.

This trend of affairs, it is claimed, shows that Chang Kai-shek aims at and has practically achieved a dictatorship in Kwangtung.

A great change in policy on the part of General Chang may come, or there may be an open struggle for control.

The latest resignation is that of Chen Kong-po, chairman of the Military Committee's Political Training Department. He is a Kwangtung man and has been succeeded by Tang Yin-ta, a Chekiang man, and an ardent supporter of General Chang.

Russian Resigns.

Lau Wai-chi to-day assumed the position of superintendent of Canton's telephone system, succeeding Mr. Foo Ping-kwan, younger brother of Mr. Foo Ping-sheng.

M. Lemi, the Russian who has been adviser to the Aviation Bureau here for nearly two years, is returning to Russia next week after having resigned his post here. The Military Council of the Government is giving him a farewell banquet to-night. His successor has not yet been named, but will probably be another Russian.

The Central Kuomintang has received a letter from representatives of the 4,000 Chinese merchants in Rotterdam, Holland, asking permission to establish a Kuomintang branch there. The permission has been granted.

JAILED GENERAL.

MRS. SUN YAT-SEN ASKED
TO INTERCEDE.

INDIGNITY OF TRIAL.

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CANTON OIL.

LARGE SHIPMENT REACHES
WHAMPOA.

MONOPOLY TO STAY?

From Our Own Correspondent.

Canton, June 12.

Optimists who believed that the government oil monopoly would really end on June 15 are dismayed at news that an immense shipment, nearly 150,000 cases, has just arrived at Whampoa. It is now certain that the monopoly will not be cancelled until this is sold, for it was obtained at a price around \$3.40, and will net the Nationalist government coffers something like \$750,000 in profit.

How much this profit is needed is evidenced by the fact that within the last three days the Canton authorities endeavoured to arrange a loan of \$100,000 from Japanese sources, and was unable to secure the advance.

In order to meet the needs for funds, a loan accentuated by the growth of the scope of the Northern Expedition, Mr. T. V. Soong, Minister of Finance, has issued a circular announcing that the gambling privileges for Pakhakung, Favel, Fong-chuen, Tung Kau and Cha Kau will be sold, and that immediate offers will be entertained.

CHINESE FUNERAL.

THE LATE MRS. CHOY
CHONG-SUI.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Canton, June 12.

The powerful Peasants, Labourers, Merchants and Educators Union has issued a resolution expressing confidence in the new foreign policies of Mr. Eugene Chen, promising him full cooperation in efforts to settle the Hongkong boycott.

June 16, the first anniversary of the calling of the strike against Hongkong, will be celebrated here by the Hongkong Students' Union and Strike Committee.

The Strike Committee has embarked upon a new activity by announcing the opening of free schools and night clubs for striking labourers. General courses, and some trade training will be offered free.

DRAGON BOAT DAY.

CHINESE CELEBRATIONS
TO-DAY.

RACES IN HARBOUR.

As fully explained in Saturday's "China Mail" to-day is the Dragon Boat festival, one of the big days in the year for the Chinese.

Yesterday boats were out in the harbour at practice with their drums and gongs. It is understood that races are being held in the eastern part of the harbour to-day. Large crowds were seen going in that direction.

In spite of depressed trade, the Chinese community seems to have made the most of things and the holiday spirit is everywhere visible.

STOLEN PROPERTY.

PAWNSHOPS UNLOAD THEIR
GOODS.

THIEF FOUND OUT.

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FORTY YEARS AGO.

HONGKONG IN THE EIGHTEEN-EIGHTIES.

COLONY'S EARLIER DAYS.

Interesting Impressions of An ex-Governor.

We continue below extracts from the autobiography of Sir William Des Vaux, a former Governor of the Colony, whose term of office began in 1887.

Kowloon Growing Fast.

Continuing his record of first impressions, Sir William writes:—

"Among the many places of interest visited were the docks of the Hongkong and Whampoa Company, the principal of which (including one constructed of cut stone and capable of taking in for repair the largest vessel then afloat) were situated in Kowloon, the portion of the Colony forming part of the mainland of China. British Kowloon—so called to distinguish it from the Chinese town (this is now included within the newly acquired territory) of the same name at a short distance beyond our boundary—was evidently growing fast, and afforded even then the prospect of some day surpassing in size the parent city of Victoria—an eventuality which I regard as certain in a no very distant future; now that the accession of territory recently obtained has afforded facilities for increased security against hostile incursion."

Peak Fog.

Coming to more personal and domestic matters, he writes as follows of the "Peak Fog":—

"What was, however, far more trying to patience on the Peak was the time when clouds rested upon it. In our first year this happened but rarely, and never lasted more than a day or two. But in our second season it was very different, and this miserable experience lasted for the greater part of the summer. On one occasion, for several weeks together, the fog was as dense as the worst which afflicts London in November, and only differed from it in being white instead of brown or black. The damp inside the house was such that water ran down the walls in streams and collected in pools on the polished floors. Such indeed was the moisture of the air that bed linen had to be kept in a hot drying-room, and would become too wet to sleep in if taken out more than a few minutes before it was required to be used. At such times one seemed cut off entirely from the rest of the world, the existence of which was revealed only at rare intervals by the arrival of a Government messenger with papers, or by the clicking of the telephone.

"When this was the state of the atmosphere with us, the heat in the town below was usually at its greatest, and yet in going down to my office, as I used to do once or twice a week, I found it a welcome change. Occasionally, after many days in succession of a life which resembled that of a damp and gloomy prison, we would go for a change down to sleep for a night or two at our house in town. It was a pleasure to see daylight and bright sky again, but the heat, which rendered sleep almost impossible, quickly drove us up again."

Record Rain.

"I now come, (he continues) to the great storm of May, 1889, which, apart from our experience of it, deserves notice as perhaps constituting a 'record' in respect of the quantity of rain falling within a short space of time. Though thirty-six inches of rain (or much more than the average rainfall of a whole year in England) fell in thirty-two hours, even this gives no idea of what was occasionally the extent of this downpour. The register at the Kowloon Observatory (at the site of which, as being nearly level with the sea, the fall was probably less than on the Peak) showed from 7 a.m. to 10.23 a.m. 5.2 inches; from 10.10 a.m. to 12.20 p.m. 6.4 inches; or in the aggregate 11.6 inches in five hours and twenty minutes, the last two hours having an average of about three inches each."

"To us on the Peak, however, water was by no means the most formidable element of the storm. For two whole nights and the greater part of the intervening day—thunder and lightning was almost incessant. Sometimes for an hour or more flashes succeeded one another so rapidly that even in the middle of the night it would have been quite possible to read by them almost without a break, had anyone possessed sufficient nerve to abstract his attention from the terrific claps of thunder, many of which were evidently close over our heads. Occasionally, though the number of flashes scarcely diminished, the comparatively distant explosions deluded us into the belief that the

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storm was leaving us. But again and again it gradually returned, apparently going round and round the great circle of hills which enclose the Hongkong Harbour, and again and again from close at hand showed us its appalling strength.

That, however, which was to our Chinese servants the most terrifying effect of the storm was the behaviour of the telephone. At the first signs of what was coming I had, as I thought, disconnected it. But I suppose that something must have been wrong with the apparatus, for every now and then it would startle us with a sharp report like that of a pistol fired close at hand, while once or twice when I happened to be near it, a great ball of fire would accompany the explosion. The last phenomenon having been witnessed by one or more of our Chinese servants, brought their terror to a climax, and they all ran away, concealing themselves we never knew where, and only returned when the storm was well over.

[To be continued.]

And that is exactly what has happened. The cessation of dealing with Canton cut a big slice out of the volume of business done by Hongkong and everybody concerned, naturally enough, howled their loudest.

The colony, however, has got over the shock to its system and is fast recovering its health. It is still weak but daily getting stronger. Of this there is ample evidence. One of the most encouraging signs is that the Chinese are again investing in property and industrial concerns. The banks, both foreign and Chinese, are again doing good business. Nearly all the Chinese labour required is available and the small deficiency is daily growing less. Advances made from the 25,000,000 trade loan are being repaid. There are no bankruptcies of foreign firms expected. All classes, including Chinese merchants, are firm in the resolve that they will never agree to pay compensation to the Strike Committee. I met few who were not confident that the Colony could hold out indefinitely and in the end weather the storm. Most remarkable of all these evidences of improving conditions is the fact that the total decrease in the volume of trade during the past year has not been more than a quarter, while later months show a much smaller proportion of decrease. The Government revenue to date is little more than 10 per cent. below the estimates (Budgeted for before the strike) and increasing. From an official source I heard that the financial position of the Colony was regarded as entirely satisfactory.

Costs Chinese More Than British.
This feeling lasted several months and caused many people to panic and to represent the situation as desperate. Firm communicating with their principals and agents in London and elsewhere stated that their whole existence was at stake and that unless official measures were taken to deal with the strike and the boycott at Canton the Colony would soon cease to exist.

As a result the strongest representations were made to the British Government, the case of Hongkong was ventilated in Parliament and in the Home Press, and generally a great stir was made. Apparently, what alarmed everybody most was a declared intention of the Canton Government to turn Whampoa into a large port equal to dealing with the whole of the Trans-Asian traffic to the total exclusion of Hongkong.

If these timid folk had stopped to think they would have realised that it was physically impossible to make Whampoa into a big port without the expenditure of fabulous sums at least quite beyond the power of Canton to expend. There are numerous other reasons why any plan of creating a large port in the delta could not be realised in the near future. What everybody seemed to forget was that Hongkong depends for its existence on the trans-shipment of cargo to and from a great number of other regions besides Kwangtung and its ports. Hongkong, in fact, is the great meeting place for the shipping of the Pacific and the shipping of what may be called Malaya. The Philippines, Borneo, Java, Sumatra, Singapore and the Malay States, Siam and Indo-China all ship heavily for America through Hongkong and vice versa. This is a big and ever-growing commerce, quite independent of the China coast. Hongkong, moreover, has its own industries, such as sugar refining, ship building, engineering and various manufactures.

In No Danger.

What I principally want to say is that Hongkong as a great shipping exchange and trade emporium is, in my opinion, in no danger, whatever of extinction, and would not be even if there was no recovery of the Kwangtung trade. It is pure nonsense to suppose that any action by the authorities of Canton or by any organisation in Kwangtung can ruin Hongkong. The sudden cessation of any branch of Hongkong's business must of course injure, and perhaps ruin, many of those directly concerned, and temporarily at least affect the general prosperity. But the position of the Colony as a whole is sound and not to be shaken by gusts of bad fortune. Confidence is being restored among the Chinese population, and money continues to come in from the mainland. So far as I am concerned I see no reason to be anxious about my small investments.

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STAR THEATRE.

PETE MORRISON IN "BLACK GOLD."

There is always some doubt in introducing a new star to an audience who are accustomed to see the same old faces on the silver screen, but in bringing forward Pete Morrison, who performs under the producing banner of a small organisation, the Hongkong Amusements is on sure ground. This pleasing young man will appear in "Black Gold" at the Star Theatre to-day.

It can be recommended as good entertainment, lacking nothing in speedy movement, comedy, or heart interest. One great merit of this picture is that the story develops from the first 50 feet and in the opening reel of five there is enough action to fill a whole production. Four more reels of the same "zippy" character is a feast.

The tale deals with the operations of a syndicate to gain possession of a rich oil field in Texas. The son of the head of this syndicate is dumped off a train by card sharpers and through helping a damsel in distress, unwittingly holds up his father's scheme.

Finding out the truth, the son pits himself against his father and eventually wins out and makes good with the lady in question. It is all fun, fight and finance. The names of the cast are unknown to the majority of film fans, but they are all good and the producers are the New-Cal Film Corporation.

Johnny Hines.

Johnny Hines, a smiling favourite with Hongkong audiences, is the lead man in "Little Johnny Jones" showing to-morrow and Wednesday.

This is a Warner Brothers' film, an adaptation of the popular stage play of the same name written by George M. Cohan himself around the career of Tod Sloan, America's most renowned jockey.

"Little Johnny Jones" is, briefly, the story of an intrigue by a gambler to rob Johnny Jones, the Yankee jockey, of his reputation, and nip the bud of his romance. Robert Anstead, a gambler, is afraid of losing a huge sum of money if Johnny is permitted to run his horse, and he has also attempted to win the affections of ped into shape and Johnny is accused of agreeing to throw away the race. His backer, the Earl of Bloomsburg, insists on proof; Johnny is searched and a planted code is found on him. His guilt seems conclusive, but he is able to vindicate himself at the last moment and win the girl who had almost been wrested from him.

In No Danger.

Johnny Hines' supporting cast consists of Windham Standing, Margaret Seddon, Robert Prior, Molly Malone, George Webb, Mervyn Le Roy, Pauline French, "Fat" Carr, and Brownie, the Wonder Dog. Arthur Rosson directed and Raymond Schrock scenarionised the production.

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AT THE QUEEN'S.

"THE LOST WORLD" NOW SHOWING.

Showing at the Queen's Theatre to-day is "The Lost World," a long promised picture, giving a peep into the prehistoric past only made possible by concentration on the part of technical and photographic experts of the First National organisation.

As a novel "The Lost World" ranks as one of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's most, fantastic literary fabrications. It tells the story of a party of English scientists, newspaper men, and a girl who venture into the wilds of South America and discover a lost section of the world, where life has remained unchanged throughout 100,000 centuries.

Finally capturing one of the monsters—a brontosaurus, bigger than ten elephants—the party return with it to London to prove their discovery. One of the most thrilling scenes ever filmed is that in which the monster, escaping from its captors, charges through the heart of the English metropolis, wrecking buildings and terrifying thousands of pedestrians. This adaptation of the famous adventure tale has been translated to the screen by Earl Hudson with the uncanny elusiveness of a nightmare, yet it contains a beautiful love story.

"The Lost World" marks an epoch in screen achievement because it combines with heart interest those elements of the spectacular which are sufficient in themselves for the creation of a gripping moving picture narrative.

The fine reserve of the leading players, headed by Bessie Love, Lloyd Hughes, Lewis Stone and Wallace Beery, is worthy of comment.

Because of their extraordinary novelty, however, it is the animal actors that compel prior consideration. Not animals, indeed, but monsters. Towering, 100-foot monsters, stalking through primeval forests in the untraced heart of the Amazon country—a "lost" world surviving unchanged through 10,000,000 years of transition. The conflict between the huge reptiles and the human actors is something which will be remembered by all who see it.

This great picture will show from to-day to Wednesday inclusive.

ASSAULT ON FOREIGNER.

AFFAIR WRAPPED IN MYSTERY.

Hankow, June 5.

Late on Thursday evening an unprovoked assault was perpetrated on a British subject, in the S.A.D., just outside the offices of the Dollar Lumber Company, says the "China Central Post."

The circumstances are somewhat peculiar and the reasons for assault, if any, are wrapped in mystery. Our informant, who prefers to be known under the title of "X," tells us that about 8.30 p.m. on his way home along the Hwa Ching Kai he noticed a foreigner being molested by a small crowd. He regarded the incident as nothing unusual until he received a blow in the face from a well-dressed Chinese. The attack was so unexpected and he was so taken aback that he could not return in any way except by laying hold of his aggressor's hat. He immediately called for police assistance but apparently all that they could do was to search adjacent shops, to which the aggressor had fled, and announce the fact that all trace of the aggressor had been lost.

The Police rendered an amende honorable by tearing up the hat of "X's" assailant but we can hardly regard this as a fulfilment of their ordinary duties. If better protection cannot be guaranteed we would suggest that foreigners, ladies in particular, abstain from passing through this district after nightfall.

DINNER FOR A DOLLAR.

Peking, June 1.—Liang Shih-yi of the Bank of Communications is credited with the invention of a simplified form of Chinese official dinner.

In contrast to the old type of feast when endless dishes were set before already stuffed guests, Liang's meal is to cost a dollar a person.

He has named it the "Yin Hong Teat" or the "bank" meal and it should consist of four dishes of cold food, ten large bowls, and four bowls of soup and the dinner is ended.

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CHINA'S LEPROS

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REV. T. C. WU'S VISIT.

In connection with the campaign of the Chinese Mission to Leper to obtain financial assistance and if possible to form local auxiliaries in the big centres, the Rev. T. C. Wu arrived in Hongkong this week-end and addressed the Chinese Christians of the Kung Li and To Tsai churches of Christ in China, Ladder Street, and the Chinese Y.M.C.A.

The Chinese Mission to Lepers is American in its origin but international in regard to the institutions it assists and it is in order that the hands of the Mission may be further strengthened in this good work that the visit of Mr. T. C. Wu was undertaken.

Bearing in mind that combative measures in China entail a huge organisation if the strength of the widely spread diseases is to be efficiently combated (one-half of the lepers of the world are in China) the mission of Mr. Wu should receive sympathetic consideration on the part of everyone and wherever possible should be accompanied by practical help.

Such assistance will go to the wider dissemination of such healing agencies as are provided by charmois oil and other new discoveries. Mr. Wu believes that if the graveness of the problem is sufficiently realised and the co-operation of all who are in a position to help obtained, that a campaign which may finally eradicate the disease from China may be inaugurated.

OPPIUM TRAFFIC.

PROGRESSIVE REDUCTION OF EXPORTS.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, June 11.

The India Office announces that the Government of India, with the concurrence of the Secretary of State, has now decided to fix ten years as the period within which the exports of opium from India for other than strictly medicinal purposes shall be progressively and finally extinguished.

It will be recalled that in the House of Commons on March 8, (the Earl of Winterton, the Under-Secretary of State for India, announced that the Government of India intended to submit the project for the approval of the Legislature to carry out this policy. He stated then that the period within which the extinction would take place had not yet been fixed and that the position of cultivators was one of the factors that must be taken into account in defining it. Resolutions approving the Government of India's new policy were adopted by the India Council of State and the Legislative Assembly on March 16 and 18, respectively.

As a result of the decision arrived at by the Government of India fixing ten years as the period of progressive extinction the exports of opium for other than strictly medicinal purposes will be reduced by ten per cent yearly, beginning in 1927, so that the last export will take place in 1936. During this period, exports will be under a system of direct sale to the Governments of importing countries, the sale of opium by public auction at Calcutta having already been finally discontinued with effect from April 7, 1926.

CORRESPONDENCE

THE CHINA ASSOCIATION

(To the Editor of the China Mail)

Sir.—The leading article in your issue of Friday was so sweeping in its condemnation of those who are outside the local branch that I venture, as one who is in that position, to lodge a protest.

The responsibility for the ignoble record to which you refer surely rests with the Committee of the Association. Not only has the general public been kept in ignorance of the Association's activities but no effort appears to have been made to recruit new members. Moreover no notice convening the annual meeting was published, as far as I recollect, and the meeting itself was held at an inconvenient time of year.

Last August, when the local branch was revived, I was at home on leave and although my sympathies were with Sir Harry Pollock I felt that a local China Association, under the guidance of a parent body, might avoid the creeping paralytic which besets most Hongkong organisations and I fully intended to join the branch on my return to the Colony. As it happened, the thought passed from my mind, and from that time until last Friday morning I was in blissful ignorance of the presence of the Association in our midst.

If the Association considers itself representative of the British community I think it should alter the complexion of its Committee. In making this comment I have no intention of casting any reflection on those who are at present members of the Committee, but I think they will agree that, as a body, they are very nearly a duplication of the Chamber of Commerce Committee or of the directorate of several of our local Companies. It seems to me that the China Association should have a Committee which is representative in the fullest sense of the word. As one of its principal functions is publicity I should have thought that it would have been found desirable to have someone from the newspaper world, another worthy representative would be the Rev. J. Kirk Macdonachie whose public addresses on the Canton crisis are admirable in tone and matter.

Moreover, Mr. Macdonachie has had the advantage of meeting face to face the armchair critics of Westminster whose faulty knowledge of China it is the duty of the Association to correct. There are other names which occur to me but it is futile to bring them forward. All I suggest is that when the next annual meeting is held sufficient notice be given to ensure a respectable attendance and that electing a new Committee more consideration be given to the non-commercial element.

Yours faithfully,

C. Hongkong, June 13.

There was one case of smallpox (Chinese) shown in the return of cases of notifiable diseases which have occurred in the Colony of Hongkong during the 48 hours ended June 13.

The biggest foreign wedding arrived at by Peking has seen in recent years took place at the Peitang Cathedral on the 2nd inst. when M. Jean Chauvel, Secretary of Embassy at the French Legation, son of Dr. and Madame Fernand Chauvel, was married to Mademoiselle Diane de Warzee d'Hermaillie, daughter of His Excellency the Belgian Minister at Peking and of Madame le Maire de Warzee d'Hermaillie. M. and Madame Jean Chauvel left the same day by train for Mukden whence they are to return to Peking by way of Korea.

ACCIDENTS

MOTOR CYCLE AND TRAM COLLISION.

CYCLIST INJURED.

Among several accidents during the week-end, a Chinese motor cyclist, Fung Hong, had to be taken to the Government Civil Hospital by ambulance yesterday afternoon with a bruised leg and internal injuries received in a crash of his machine with a tram car at the bend in Des Vouex Road near the Cricket Club ground.

Apparently the cyclist accelerated in overtaking a tram car proceeding west and ran into another tram car approaching the bend from the opposite direction.

Peak Car Wrecked.

In another accident which occurred on the Peak yesterday, a motor car was wrecked. The owner driver left the car with his son in charge. The boy, it is reported, muddled with the gears and the car ran downhill missing two dangerous points before it came to a halt. The lad had in the meantime jumped out.

Minor Injuries.

On Saturday afternoon a taxi became disabled by bursting a tyre at Garden Road, near the tram station. The vehicle was being pushed downhill when it got out of control and crashed into a wall, knocking several feet of it away. The car was badly damaged.

In two other accidents the same afternoon, two Chinese girls received injuries to their legs and were taken to hospital.

LEGAL OMISSION.

APPLICATION ON BEHALF OF BANK.

MORTGAGE FILING.

Failure to register with the Hongkong Registrar certain accounts of mortgages entered into by the Shanghai branch of the National Commercial and Savings Bank, Ltd., led to their representation in the Supreme Court this morning by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, who applied for extension of the specified time allotted for registration.

The mortgages were entered into at Shanghai, but concerned property in Hongkong, said counsel. The Bank had not been advised by their solicitors in Shanghai that it was necessary to register with the Registrar in Hongkong.

Certain documents had been filed here in respect of the case but His Lordship, commented that none of them gave him assurance that there was nothing in the nature of a winding petition pending. He must have such evidence before granting the application and he would therefore adjourn it until such was forthcoming.

Seven Chinese women were acquitted at the Magistracy this morning on a charge of squatting on a pavement at Jardine's Bazaar. Evidence showed that six of them protested at the action of an Indian constable in arresting a woman and followed her to the Police Station.

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KARMAKA	8,188	10th July	Marcelles, London & Antwerp
PADDUA	5,907	15th July	Miles, Dord, B'dam & Antwerp
KASHMIR	8,985	22nd July	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
RAMPURA	16,583	27th July	Marcelles, London & Antwerp
DRITA	8,097	7th Aug.	Marcelles, London & Antwerp
MACEONIA	11,089	1st Aug.	Marcelles & London
KALYAN	8,144	12th Sept.	Marcelles, London & Antwerp
MALWA	10,941	2nd Oct.	Marcelles, London & London
KASHEGAR	8,000	7th Oct.	Marcelles, London & Antwerp
MOREA	10,918	16th Oct.	Marcelles, London & London
KHYBER	8,114	30th Oct.	Marcelles, London & Antwerp
MANTUA	10,902	13th Nov.	Marcelles, London & London
KAHMALA	8,188	27th Nov.	Marcelles, London & London
MACEONIA	11,089	1st Dec.	Marcelles, London & Antwerp
DELTIA	8,097	26th Dec.	Marcelles, London & London
MALWA	10,941	5th Jan.	Marcelles, London & Antwerp
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TAIAMBAA	8,018	10th July	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
SHIBALA	7,841	22nd July	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
TAIWA	10,000	3rd Aug.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

S. S.	TONS	FROM HONGKONG (ABOUT)	DESTINATION
ARAFURA	8,000	29th June	Manila, Iloilo, Zamboanga, Port Banda, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne
ST. ALBANS	4,500	30th July	
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KASHMIR	8,046	45th June	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
TAIWA	8,188	28th June	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
SEIRALA	7,841	1st July	Moji & Yokohama
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DELTIA	8,097	8th July	Shanghai & Kobe
TAIWA	10,000	14th July	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
MACEONIA	11,088	22nd July	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
TAIWA	8,144	3rd Aug.	Shanghai, Moji & Yokohama
KALYAN	8,144	6th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
MALWA	10,941	19th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
KASHOAR	9,000	2nd Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
ARAFURA	8,000	7th Sept.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
MOREA	10,918	18th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
KHYBER	9,114	1st Oct.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
ST. ALBANS	4,500	5th Oct.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
MANTUA	10,918	10th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
KAHMALA	8,188	28th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
DEVAHNA	8,185	1st Nov.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
TAIWA	8,188	2nd Nov.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
MACEONIA	11,088	18th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
DELTIA	8,097	27th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
ARAFURA	6,000	7th Dec.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
MALWA	10,941	10th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
KALYAN	9,114	24th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
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BELL.—On June 7, at Manchester, to Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Bell, a daughter.

LEAVER.—On June 8, at Chin-
wutung, to Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Leaver, Chinese Maritime
Customs, a son.

LIVESLEY.—On May 30, at
Kuling, to Rev. and Mrs. E. H. Livesley, a son
(Robert Kenneth).

MARRIAGE.

KEARNS—WHITE.—On June 8, at the Church of the Sacred
Heart of Jesus, Shanghai, John
Kearne, of Dublin, Irish Free
State, to Annie Elizabeth,
eldest daughter of Mr. and
Mrs. D. White, of Shanghai.

DEATHS.

ANDREWS.—On June 2, at Dairen,
Joseph Walter Daniel Andrews.

BUCKINGHAM.—On June 7, at the
General Hospital, Shanghai,
Seymour Buckingham, son of
the late Rev. Seymour
Buckingham, Southampton,
aged 53 years.

FALKNER.—On Friday, June 11,
at 2 p.m., at the Government
Civil Hospital, Gilbert Evelyn
Falkner, Public Works De-
partment, aged 39 years.

JONES.—On June 7, at the
Victoria Nursing Home, Shang-
hai, Harold Stuart Jones,
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf
(Poontong Wharf), in his 40th
year.

TRAYESS.—On June 8, at 101,
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Charles Travess, aged 50
years.

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AS OTHERS SEE US.

It is but human and natural to
learn what others think of us. In
spite of Robert Burns's worn-to-
death "O wad the poer the giftie
gie us the see oorsels as ither see
us," we seldom dread examining
others' opinions of us. Curiosity
gets the better of us. As a
Colony, of course, there is no fear
of getting cold feet or bad liver,
in the collective sense, however
hard and unkind we may think
outside commentators to be in
their views.

Elsewhere in this issue we publish
a lengthy opinion of Hong-
kong as given by a Peking resident,
who stayed here one week
on his way to Europe. As he is
reputed to have "taken trouble"
to investigate the situation here,
what he has to say cannot escape
the ignominy of being passed over
in silence. A week may to some

parity and would run many
directly interested in purely
China business."

Here it may be countered that
the critic has found one short
week utterly insufficient to com-
prehend how the trade of Hong-
kong and Canton is interwoven.
He is going against geographical
facts entirely. He has not taken
into the slightest account the
great populace of Cantonese in
this Colony, to whom to trade
with Canton is as natural and as
essential as flying is to a bird.

Canton is their trade heritage, and
were Canton to be automatically
to be eliminated from the Colony's
commercial map, then naturally
they would flock elsewhere where
trading with their own city of
Canton and their own province of
Kwangtung was possible. In the
case of non-Chinese firms, of
course, it might be possible in the
course of time to seek fresh
avenues of commerce were Canton
to be finally severed, but why
waste time over such a conjecture?
Canton still exists.

All that is required is for the authori-
ties in Canton to give a firm hint
to the Strike and Boycott Com-
mittee and the pickets to make
themselves scarce, and there will
instantly follow a resumption of
trade between the two centres. In
fact, the Peking visitor himself
supplies the most likely argument
in favour of such a course of pro-
cedure when he admits that "it is
probably true to say that the dis-
location of trade caused by the
strike, and the extra charges for
importing foreign goods and ex-
porting local produce, are costing
the Chinese in the aggregate more
than British interests are losing.
The difference is simply being
eaten up by the strikers."

"Everybody" — to quote his
most favoured word — will agree
with the stranger who stayed
here exactly one week when he
confesses that "the position of the
Colony as a whole is sound and not
to be shaken by gusts of bad fortune."
The hope of our ultimate
disentanglement from the troubles
not of our own seeking has
always been strong and unshaken.
It is a merely a matter of time,
and that we do not require out-
siders to tell us.

QUASHED.

NO INDICTMENT AGAINST
MR. SQUIRE.

ATTORNEY-GEN'S DECISION.

The indictment on a charge of
manslaughter against Mr. S. J.
Squire, whose case was to have
been heard at the June Criminal
Sessions, has been quashed as a result
of the Attorney-General's decision.

At the Magistracy, Major C.
Willson decided that a sufficiently
strong case had been made out for
Mr. Squire to stand trial at the
Sessions. There were four lengthy
hearings at the police court at
which a Chinese received injuries
from which he later succumbed
to investigation.

The charge concerned the manner
in which Mr. Squire was driving
a motor cycle combination at
the time he ran into the Chinese
in question.

Mr. Squire was defended at the
Magistracy by Mr. A. J. Gordon
Leask.

PEAK TRAM.

SUDDEN JERK DISTURBS
PASSENGERS.

The 4.15 p.m. Peak tram was
brought to a standstill on the descent
on Saturday, just about at the
junction where cars pass.

The sudden jerk which disturbed
the equilibrium of the passengers
led to some consternation among
the Indians although the safety devices
which have been installed
provide for any contingency. One
lady selected to complete the descent
on foot. Another slight jerk
was experienced at Bowen Road.
The descent occupied twenty
minutes.

The service continued later with
out any such experiences.

News has been received in
Shanghai of the death of Mr.
Adam McClure, who was for
many years a broker in Yokohama
by the firm Bland and McClure.
Mr. McClure, who was a brother
of Mr. Johnson McClure of Kobe,
died at his residence in Hongkong
at first cause unknown.

NEW BISHOP.

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CONSECRATION SERVICE.

The Right Rev. Monsignor H.
Valtorta, who succeeds the late
Bishop Pozzoni as Vicar Apostolic
of Hongkong, was yesterday ordain-
ed and consecrated by His Grace
Archbishop C. Costantini, Papal
delegate at Peking. Assisting pre-
lates were the Bishops of Macao
and Canton.

The service took place at the
Roman Catholic Cathedral, a large
congregation being present. It
was of an impressive character and
lasted for 2½ hours.

The Rev. Father G. M. Spada
(Pro-Vicar Apostolic) read the
Papal bull appointing Father
Valtorta as Bishop Apostolic of
Hongkong. Special music was
played by Father A. Rignani.

The service of consecration con-
cluded the new Bishop, accom-
panied by his "godfathers," Mr.
Chau Po-sien and Mr. H. Dixon,
gave his first blessing at the Bishop to
the congregation.

Those present at the service in-
cluded: Senhor A. L. Cerveira de
Albuquerque, o Castro (Consul-
General for Portugal in Hongkong)
who was representing H. E.
the Governor of Macao, and
representatives of the various
religious establishments at Macao
and the Chief of the Canons,
among those invited being:—
Comdr. S. Carrara, Consul-General
for Italy; Mr. de la Prade, Consul
for France; C. H. Basto, Consul
for Bolivia; Chev. J. M. Alves,
Consul for Brazil; Mr. J. Guzman,
Consul for Chile; Mr. J. M. da
Rocha, Consul for Costa Rica; Mr.
J. P. Braga, Consul for Guatemala;
Mr. G. A. da Rosa, Consul for
Nicaragua; Mr. R. Vallarino, Consul
for Panama; Mr. S. Barrios,
Consul for Peru; Mr. J. Murakami,
Consul-General for Japan; Very
Rev. Dean J. A. d'Azevedo Bartholo,
Very Rev. Coelho de Moraes
Sarmento, Rev. Fr. B. Braganca,
Rev. Fr. I. Canazel, Mrs.
H. W. Bird, Dr. W. V. M. Koch,
Mrs. W. V. M. Koch, Mrs. C. A.
da Rosa, Mr. F. H. Barnes, Mr.
E. V. M. R. de Souza, Mr. Tso
Chak-wan, Mr. T. W. Doyle, Mr.
H. Amman, Mr. U. Gonella, Mr.
A. Rollin, Capt. Chamberlain, Chief
Inspector Murphy, Mr. A. F. B.
Silva-Netto, Mr. C. P. Marcel, Mr.
L. Bailes, Baron A. Braun, Mme.
Jo. la Prade, Mme. Cerveira
d'Albuquerque; Mr. L. E. Idelfonso,
Chev. Fr. Tae Yat, Mr. Simon Tse
Yan, Mr. Li Yat-choi, Mr.
A. F. Osmund, President
B. S. Confraternity; Mr. V. F.
Soares, President Apostleship of
Prayer; Mr. J. M. Graca, President
Nossa S. dos Passos; Mr. J.
Hazelton, Mr. and Mrs. R. Austin,
Very Rev. G. Guarro, and Rev.
Fr. Pitta.

Other Ceremonies.
Other functions taking place
throughout the day in connection
with the introduction of the new
Bishop were a tiffin at the Italian
Mission and a special thanksgiving
service, followed by a reception on
the roof of the Mission House.

At the tiffin, the Archbishop and
the other prelates, together with
the godfathers and some eighty
clergy sat down. The health of
the new Bishop was toasted and
the Archishop delegate, tea being
served by ladies and music provided
by the band of the Silesian In-
stitute. Among those present were
the Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird and Mrs.
Bird.

To-day's Function.

A reception will be given by the
Catholic Community, in the Theatre
Royal this evening, when addresses
will be presented to the Vicar
Apostolic. There will be no ad-
mission to the theatre after 5.45
p.m. and visitors are asked to be
in their seats by 5.30.
St. Joseph's College Troop of
Boy Scouts will form a guard of
honour for His Excellency the
Governor, who will inspect them
on his arrival.

On the platform will be the
Archishop delegate, the Bishop
of Macao and Canton, the new
Bishop of Hongkong, H. E. the
Governor and the Bishop of Victoria
(the Right Rev. C. R. Dupuy).

On the right of the stage will be
members of the Executive and
Legislative Councils and Heads of
Government Departments; while
the various Consuls and the heads
of the religious organisations in
Hongkong and Macao will be accom-
modated on the left. The Portuguese
Consul-General will represent
H. E. the Governor of Macao, who
is unable to be present.

Poets' Corner.

RECOLLECTION.

The mind doth to an olden thought embrace,
Its warmth revive by loving, fondling arms,
Whose vast completeness, surffing sparsely charms,
Is salvaged in this mad deliberate race.

The happy hours of sweet forgotten days,
The e'er-remembered minutes of regret—
Igniting hopes of better things to get—
Our fancy turns into a hopeless maze.

When comes an individual so base,
In taste as doth not least appreciate,
Or cherish recollections of past date
Save that whose best possession is in haze.

"O God of memory, be my fellow mate;
Myself imprison in thy hallowed case."

ALEXANDER CLAUDE-GREAVES.

ODE TO MY EX-LADY LOVE
(Who Turned Me Down.)

Your eyes, your mouth, your brows my love
Like nothing in Heaven or Hell my dove
They make me queer, in fight I fly
Oh why! such horrors exist, Oh Why!

Your eyes like oysters in the gloom
Brow like a worn out Chinese broom
Your mouth a cavern of exceeding size
With teeth so false and spilling lies.

Your hands, your figure so fat and short
Your nose like a many malignant wart
Your feet the feet of a mighty man
Were built on an extra gigantic plan.

Your whole effect is one of mirth
Nature slipped when she gave you birth
A fine example of ungainly youth
Uncultured, my dear, and very uncouth.

RAINBIRD.

HEALTH OFFICERS.

IS THERE A SHORTAGE
LOCALLY?

DR. KOCH'S QUESTIONS.

At to-morrow's meeting of the
Sanitary Board, Dr. W. V. M. Koch,
pursuant to notice, will ask:
"Have any arrangements been
made to fill the vacancy caused by
the retirement of Dr. Pearce in
order that the Department should
not suffer from a shortage of
Medical Officers of Health at pro-
sent?"

"As regards the staff of Sanitary
Inspectors, is the Head of the
Sanitary Department satisfied that
the present number is sufficient to
cope with the increased work in the
Colony?"

"Is a sufficient number available
to allow for Home leave and for
sick leave? If not, will the State
make the necessary representations to the
Authorities in order to secure an
adequate Staff?"

NEW FERRY.

TAKES TO SERVICE AFTER
DELAY.

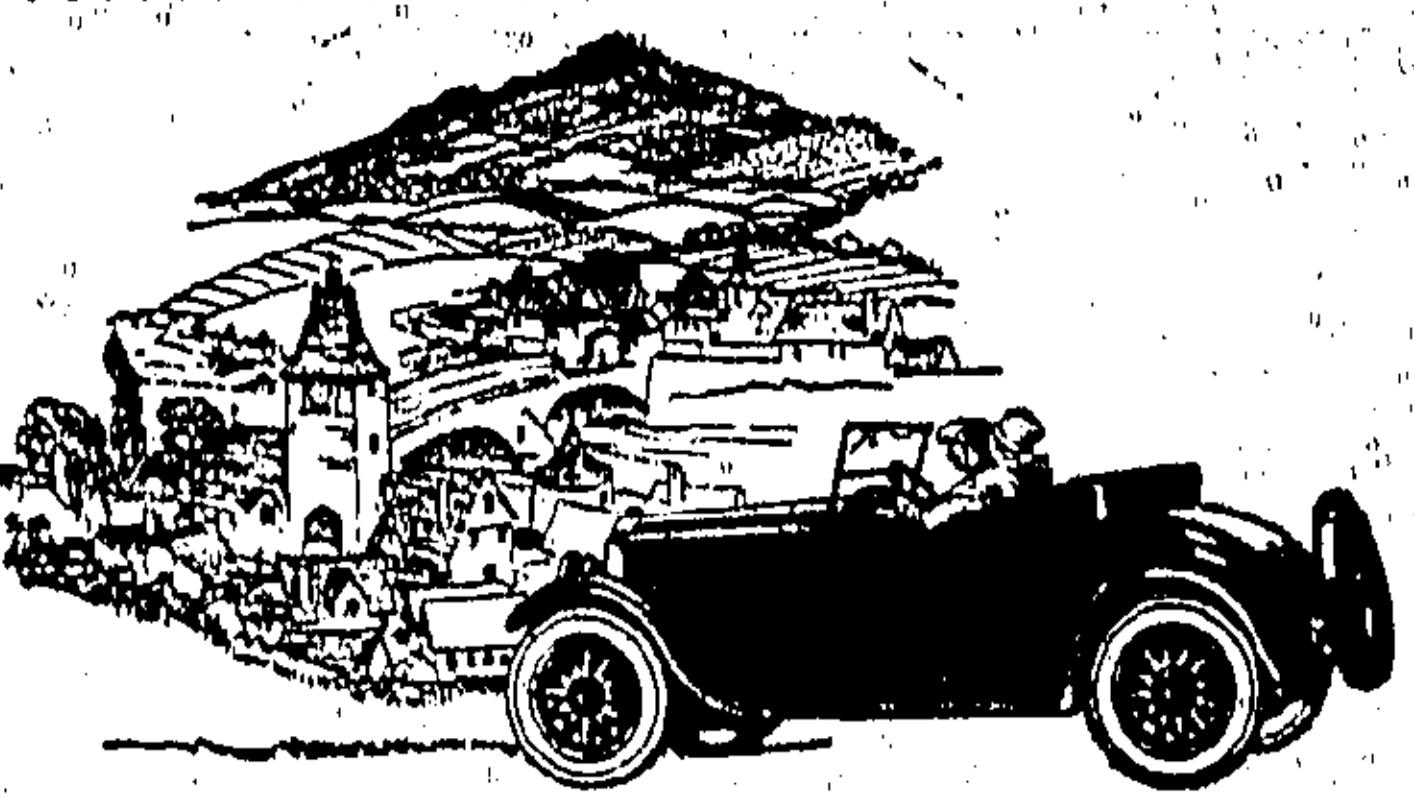
The new ferry "Polar Star,"
completed some time ago and delayed
from the harbour run on account
of an untoward event experienced
just after it was taken over, was
in service on Saturday.

The greater capacity on the
upper deck as a result of longer
deck and fore and aft shaped seats
are marked features of the boat
which is fitted up in excellent style.

The "Night Star" is well on the
way to completion.

at the Vatican, thanking the Rev.
Father Spada for the able way in
which he had carried on the duties
of Pro-Vicar Apostolic during the
interim between the death of the
late Bishop and the appointment of
the new one.

At the special thanksgiving service
a large gathering of the Catholic
community were introduced to the new
Bishop for the able way in
which he had carried on the duties
of Pro-Vicar Apostolic during the
interim between the death of the
late Bishop and



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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

In endeavouring to avoid a collision with a lighter in the harbour on Friday, the master of a cargo boat fell overboard and was drowned.

A Chinese, 30 years of age, was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital on Saturday suffering from opium poisoning. He died yesterday morning.

Contrary to their original announcement, the Chihli and Shantung military authorities still fail to convert military notes. Consequently, Chinese citizens have begun to take exception to the notes, and a general strike again may result.

In the course of some digging at Lingolsheim, near Strasbourg, a neolithic tomb was opened, in which, in addition to the skeleton, were two grindstones and a vase in blackish clay. A bracelet made of two wild-boar tusks fastened with thongs was on the right arm. It is believed that the tomb dates from 3000 or 4000 B.C.

The Hague, May 11.—The Premier, Dr. D. J. Degeer, declared in the second chamber of Parliament that the decrease in state revenue from liquor excises was not due to fraud and bootlegging, but to greater sobriety of the Dutch Nation, as a consequence of the prohibitionist's activities.

Paris, May 31.—Semi-official sources state that the French losses in the Moroccan struggle have been considerable. The Ministry of War publishes an official statement which computes the number of soldiers killed, (including the Foreign Legion), between April 16, 1925 and May 25, 1926, to be 1,810; those missing as 294 and deaths through illness and disease, 562.—French Wireless.

A woman member of the grand jury who took the oath at Quarter Sessions on April 28, held the Testament in her left hand. "You must please put the book in your right hand," said the clerk of the peace. "I must insist." The woman: The left hand will have to do, because I have no right hand. Clerk: I am sorry, I was not aware that you were disabled. The woman: I have never had a right hand. The clerk decided that she could be sworn while holding the Testament in her left and only hand.

A Chinese was caught after a chase and detained in police custody on Saturday night after he had attempted to snatch a handbag carried by Mr. J. S. Gill. The incident occurred outside the Y.M.C.A. building.

Information has been received from Jerusalem that the Government of Transjordania on the advice of the Director of the Palestine Health Department has decided to prohibit the use of the port of Aqabah to pilgrims to Mecca between May 1 and September 1.

The Commissioner of Shanghai and Woosung Police, has issued strict orders prohibiting frog-catching, owing to the frog's usefulness as an insect hunter. Frogs are a favourite dish with many Chinese and their absence from the table will be greatly lamented. If Gen. Yen's order is enforced, and if his men go round the markets daily to see that no frogs are sold alive.

Hankow, June 2.—Local Chinese news agencies continue to report activities of labour agitators in this centre. Yesterday they stated that local cigarette dealers held a secret meeting in the native city and came to the decision that they would not order any more foreign cigarettes. The boycott was to start with the beginning of June.

There are very few people in Netherlands India who have never heard of the two brothers Ledebur, the celebrated big game hunters. News has now been received from Mombasa that B. Ledebur has died there as the result of a hunting accident. He went to South Africa some time ago to take part in big game hunting and all those who knew him will regret that this dauntless hunter has come to so untimely an end.

London, May 31.—The shutters went up for the last time last night on Birch's famous old soup shop and restaurant in the shadow of the Royal Exchange in Cornhill, which has been a city landmark since 1690. Many sentimental folk visited the place Friday for their last meal in a curious survival of London's early days. The old shop front, which is an excellent example of early architecture, has been given to the Victoria and Albert Museum where it will be preserved.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mrs. Ethel M. Cameron, wife of Captain Cameron, formerly of Butterfield & Swire, is visiting friends in Shanghai. She arrived from the States on the "President Cleveland" on June 6.

Ichang, May 31.—On Friday last the body of the late Sub-Lieutenant of H.M.S. "Teal," stationed in Wanhsien, was laid to rest in the foreign cemetery here. The deceased accidentally fell overboard about 10 days previously and the body was washed ashore at Pingshan-Pa, 10 miles above Ichang.

It may not be known to many here that Mr. Eric Grimble, who with his wife won the final of the lawn tennis mixed doubles handicap, is the son of Mr. George Grimble, one of our oldest residents of the Colony, who in his youth with his brothers was always associated with sport, theatricals, concerts, and anything where he could help and in later years has always been ready to assist where he could. We believe that Mr. Eric Grimble was born here.

At the annual general meeting of the Old Rafflesians Association held at the Raffles Institution, by courtesy of the Principal on May 31, the officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, T. W. Stubbs; vice-presidents D. A. Bishop ex officio; and the Hon. Mr. Song Ong-sang; hon. secretary, G. V. Neubronner; hon. treasurer, Seah Seng-kang; committee, P. Sammy, H. G. Scott, D. S. Ferro, G. T. Peal; M. Iernell and Dr. S. K. Lim.

Shanghai Police Reserves fell in at Bubbling Well Police Station on June 6, and headed by the S.W.C. band marched to "Happyhouse," the residence of Mr. A. L. Anderson, Honorary Assistant Commissioner. They were here inspected by Mr. Fessenden, Chairman of the Council, and Captain Barrett, Commissioner. After a short interval for refreshments they marched back to the Bubbling Well Police Station and dismissed. Both Captain Barrett and Mr. Fessenden expressed themselves as well pleased with the smartness and efficiency of the men.

Peking, June 1.—The continued failure of Huang Fu to assume his post as Minister to Germany, although he was appointed many months ago, led the former Minister, Wei Chen-tau, to cable to Peking asking that a Charge be appointed so that he might leave. Premier Yen is understood to have replied asking him to remain a while longer.

Dalston woman: It is a bit hard on the modern wife that she has to keep her husband as well as herself.

Mukden, June 3.—The Commander and several other officers of the rebel troops at Hsifeng have been shot to death by the subjugation forces despatched there by Marshal Chang Tsu-ha, while the remaining soldiers have all been put to flight in all directions.

Moscow, May 31.—The death at Jalta, in the Crimea, from tuberculosis, is announced of Vladimir Steklov, vice-president of the Academy of Sciences and a well-known mathematician, at the age of 63. The Government has sent an expression of regret to the Academy on its loss. The funeral will be a State affair at the cost of the Government.

In something between 10 and 20 years' time, it seems, there is to be another war, and the re-birth in London of a new world will begin in London. Such is the theme of Lord Halsbury's "1944," a strange romance. The thunder starts in a conflict between China and Russia, at a time when Britain is once more dimly unconscious of the horror at its gates.

The Old Shanghai man was defending the climate of his beloved city. "All nonsense," he said. "There's no better climate in the world, but there's a lot of young fellows who come out to China and they eat and they drink, and they drink and they eat, and they die, and then they write home to their friends and tell them that the climate has killed them. Of course lots of people die in Shanghai but tell me any country where they don't and I'll go and end my days there."

Shanghai, June 5.—With reference to the house and land tax in the Chinese territory which is being bitterly opposed by the local community, it is learnt that Dr. V. K. Ting, Mayor of Shanghai, left here for Nanking last night to confer with Marshal Sun Chuan-fang on the matter in question. The local community are not actually opposed to the new tax itself, but to its being mentioned as a governmental tax, in which case the revenues collected will not necessarily be all applied to the public utilities of Shanghai.

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"CHINA MAIL" SPORTS PAGE**HARD COURTS.****LATER FINALS OF PARIS TENNIS.****LENGLEN VICTORIOUS.***(Reuter's Service.)*

Paris, June 13. In the international hard courts lawn tennis finals:—
Women's Doubles: — Mlle. Lenglen and Mlle. Vlasto (France) beat Mrs. Godfree (Miss Kitty McKane) and Miss Colyer (Captain 6-1, 6-1). Men's Doubles: — Vincent Richards and Howard Kinsey (U.S.A.) beat H. Cochet and J. Brugnon (France) 6-4, 6-1, 4-6, 6-4.

Earlier Cable.

Paris, June 12.

Women's Singles: — Mlle. Lenglen beat Miss Mary Browne (U.S.A.) 6-1, 6-0.

In the men's doubles semi-finals, V. Richards and Howard Kinsey (America) defeated J. Borotra and R. Lacoste (France) 9-7, 9-11, 3-6, 6-4, 7-5. H. Cochet and J. Brugnon (France) beat Kozeluh and Macnauer (Czechoslovakia) 3-6, 6-4, 6-2, 1-6, 6-4.

In the women's doubles semi-final, Mrs. Godfree and Miss E. Colver beat Miss Browne and Miss Ryan (U.S.A.) 5-7, 6-4, 6-2.

DAVIS CUP.**JAPAN ELIMINATES MEXICO.****SINGLES RESULTS.***(Reuter's American Service.)*

Mexico City, June 13. In the eliminating part of the Davis Cup lawn tennis competition (American zone), Japan has defeated Mexico. [Note: A "tie" comprises four singles and a doubles match; best out of the five matches to win.]

*Earlier Reports.**(Reuter's American Service.)*

Mexico City, June 12. In the Davis Cup contest Harada (Japan) beat Unda (Mexico), 6-2; 6-4; 6-4.

Toba (Japan) beat Llano (Mexico), 6-1; 6-6; 7-5, 6-2.

Filipino Team.

San Francisco, June 3.

The Filipino Davis Cup team arrived here to-day and were greeted by a crowd of several hundred Filipinos including representatives of the Catholic Filipino Club who offered the use of the club's courts and training quarters.

The Filipino players said that they had followed a regular system of exercise aboard ship and were in excellent physical condition. For the present they are guests of the Catholic Filipino Club.

Tentative arrangements have been made for several training and exhibition matches before June 26, the date set for the games between the Filipino team and the winner of the match between Japan and Mexico.—United Press.

FIRST TEST.**RAINS-LIMITS PLAY TO 47 MINUTES.****ENGLAND WIN THE TOSS.***(Reuter's Service.)*

Nottingham, June 12. Heavy rain fell during the night and developed into a drizzle this morning. The start of the first Test match between England and Australia was delayed till 12.15 o'clock.

The wicket had meanwhile been covered.

A. W. Carr, the English captain, received an ovation on winning the toss. He decided to bat first.

Gregory and Macartney bowled for Australia.

After 47 minutes' play, when Hobbs had scored 19 and Sutcliffe 18 rain came down just after one o'clock. There will be no further play before lunch.

Score:—

England—First Innings.
Hobbs not out 19
Sutcliffe not out 18

Total (for no wkt.) 32

To bat: A. W. Carr, A. P. F. Chapman, Hendren, Hearne, Woolley, Strudwick, Tate, Root, Kilner.

Later.

A thunderstorm during the luncheon interval left the pitch swamped. The captain inspected the wicket three times, at 3.00 p.m., 4.55 and 5.45. After this, they consulted the umpires who decided that there was to be no further play to-day.

LAWN BOWLS.**SATURDAY'S RESULTS IN THE LEAGUE.****THE WOODEN SPOONISTS.***(Reuter's Service.)*

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shots, thanks principally to R. W. Lee and his team.**Scores:—****E.P.R.C. I.R.C.****Samways E. Bux****Williamson S. Ismail****McKellar Espina****R. W. Lee Hartteam****(Skip) .25 (Skip) .10****Baker Hussain****Glover Ali****Henderson Kitchell****McTavish Ismail****(Skip) .20 (Skip) .18****Shaw A. O. Madar****Glen S. O. Bux****Whiteford Nazarini****Hamilton B. A. Hyder****(Skip) .23 (Skip) .18****Total .68 Total .43****Kowloon Cricket Club v. Civil Service C.C.****Playing on their own green the Cricket Club gained their fourth successive win, by defeating a weak Civil Service team by 41 shots.****Scores:—****K.C.C. C.S.C.C.****Goodwin Flegg****Lammert Watt****Fraser Archibald****Gibson Massey****(Skip) .32 (Skip) .9****Burford Knott****Labrum F. Knight****Robinson Roylance****Overy Alderman****(Skip) .28 (Skip) .20****Howe Fincher****R. Abraham Luck****Tacchi Davies****Hill Allen****(Skip) .29 (Skip) .19****Total .89 Total .43****Club de Recreio v. R.H.K. Yacht Club.****By defeating the Recreio team at Kowloon the Yacht Club gained their first victory. They won****12-21****H.K.C.C. 35; C.C. 64.****C.R.C. v. I.R.C.****Playing at home, the Chinese R.C. "A" team beat the Indian R.C. 52-47.****Ng Sze-kwong and Ng Sze-cheung lost to S. A. Rumjahn and Hussain 5-6****Lost to H. D. Rumjahn and Wahab 5-6****Beat Cassumbhoy and Razack 8-3****18-15****Lo Man-kam and Lo Man-wai beat S. A. Rumjahn and Hussain 6-5****Lost to H. D. Rumjahn and Wahab 2-9****Lost to Cassumbhoy and Razack 5-6****comfortably by 35 shots due in a great measure to the formidable score put up by Edwards's team.****Scores:—****C. de Recreio R.H.K.Y.C.****Yanovitch Dixon****Warren Sequeira****Nish Anderson****Macfarlane Wood****(Skip) .13 (Skip) .16****16****MacLachlan Chalmers****Davidson Duncan****Nicholls Sloan****Hazel Drummond****(Skip) .13 (Skip) .16****16****Pearman Whyte****Warren Grimshaw****Nish Morrison****(Skip) .17 (Skip) .31****21****Remedios Carpenter****F. X. Silva Croucher****C. Silva Walker****Souza Shields****(Skip) .15 (Skip) .18****18****Total .54 Total .68****Kowloon Dock R.C. v. Police R.C.****The Dock Team playing at home gained a close victory over the Police by 8 shots.****Scores:—****K.D.R.C. P.R.C.****Doherty W. Clarke****Simpson Fender****Henderson Sword****Gray Taylor****(Skip) .21 (Skip) .14****14****Holland Multhead****Whibey Ferguson****(Skip) .24 (Skip) .16****16****McKellar Field****Hedley Moss****Lapsley A. Clark****(Skip) .15 (Skip) .17****17****Total .51 Total .48****SECOND DIVISION.****Playing at home Craigengower gained an unexpected victory over the Talcoo team by 11 shots.****Scores:—****C.C.C. T.R.C.****Luz Maxwell****Razack Richmond****Rodrigues Stewart****Fletcher Grimes****(Skip) .9 (Skip) .25****25****Kharas Walmesley****Bennett Boyle****Gillard Peoples****Spink McKechnie****(Skip) .22 (Skip) .14****14****Talcoo R.C. Warnock****Van de Lijl Craig****Sellwood Waid**

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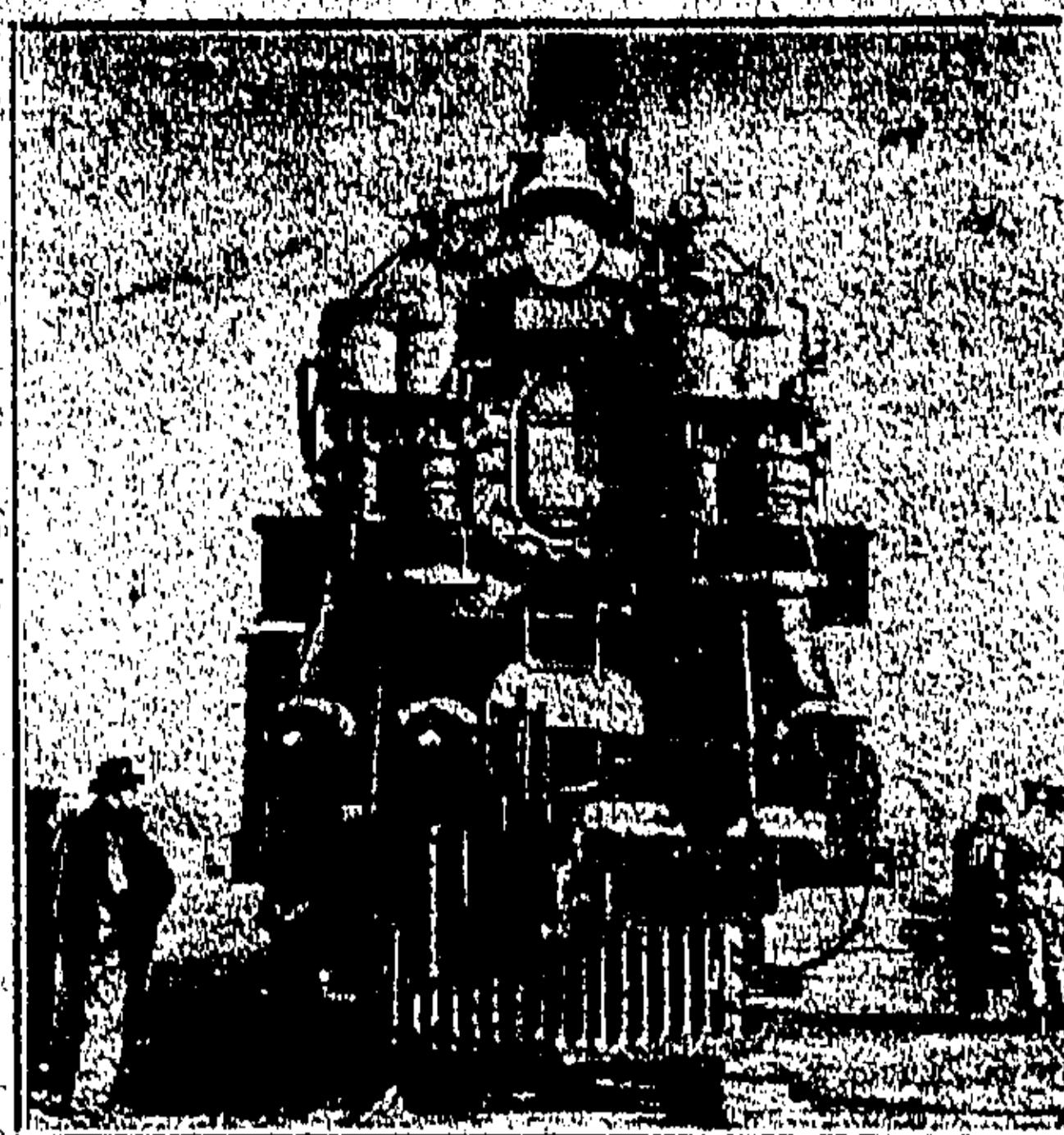
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A constable at Harvard University is shown examining the Borneo baskets which have puzzled scientists all over the world. Brought from Borneo, last October, and suspended by a string in an airtight case in Peabody Museum, the baskets began to revolve and continued to do so until recently, when they stopped as mysteriously as they started.



Spending a quarter of the way around the globe to be at her dying mother's bedside in London, Lillian Gish, moving picture actress recently rated for Britain, having been in California when she received news of her mother's illness.



This is the first of a series of new type locomotives to be placed into operation by the Union Pacific system at Omaha. The engine is 102 feet 6 1/2 inches long, stands 16 feet high, is 11 feet wide, has three cylinders instead of two, and twelve drivers, six on each side. In tests it pulled 125 cars at a speed of 50 miles an hour.

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Alexander R. Hodges, Jr., former star quarterback for the University of Kansas, was arrested in New York after a policeman accused him of robbing a restaurant of \$240 by using a fake pistol. Hodges denied guilt, but admitted that he was broke and hungry.



Called "The Sliding Ghost" because he vanished again and again into "No Man's Land" working through the German lines as a spy. Jerry Tarbot, as his friends call him, has appealed to the New York police to determine his real identity so he can locate his relatives, who believe that he was killed in the Great War.



Shackled to deputy sheriffs on both sides, Richard R. Whitemore, the "Candy Kid" bandit, who was captured with five others of his gang in New York City, was taken to the Buffalo Court daily through a subterranean passage to eliminate chances of escape.



At the right are the Misses Laycock, daughters of Brig-Gen. Laycock, in the paddock at the Melton Hunt steeplechases at Home representing a contrast with their Eton crop and masculine riding kit, to their friends, Mrs. Wardell.



Some of Nature's rugged beauties in British Columbia. The main photo is of Lake Emerald, with snow-clad mountains. Inset: pointing out wonders on Lake McArthur.

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